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Applicant: Nicholas A. Verini

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Response

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated February 27, 2003. In the outstanding Office Action, the Examiner indicated that Applicant's prior Response to a Restriction Requirement was incomplete in that it included claims directed to non-elected species and cited claim 24 as an illustration thereof. Applicant had previously elected, with traverse, species A directed to Fig. 1 and had included claims 1-5, 9, 10, 12-25 and 27-31 as being readable thereon. The Examiner has objected to this election. Therefore, Applicant now contends that claims 1, 2, 3, 5, 9 and 10 are readable on the elected species A.

Applicant submits that the application is now in condition for examination and that both the elected and non-elected claims are patentable, and Applicant respectfully requests prompt examination and allowance thereof.

Respectfully Submitted,

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